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IN RE APPLICATION OF

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AMENDMENT

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

- In response to the Office Action of November 19, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claims 34, 37, 40, and 43 to read as follows:¹

34. (Amended) A server connected to a network having a client computer and a plurality of image forming apparatuses, comprising:

storing means for storing information items associated with image forming inherent to each of said plurality of image forming apparatuses, including storing a graphic layout of an operation panel of all of the plurality of image forming apparatuses connected to the network;

¹A marked-up copy of the amendments is attached hereto.